

# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

No. 3427.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 1893.

SIX DOLLARS  
PER QUARTER

**BANKS.**  
THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND  
THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL \$2,000,000  
CAPITAL CALLED-UP \$2,51,093.15.0

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:  
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HONGKONG COMMITTEE:  
The Hon. J. J. Kewick | The Hon. C. P. Chater,  
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Head Office—3, Princes Street, London.  
Branches—Bombay, Calcutta, Hongkong, and  
Shanghai.

Agencies—Penang, Singapore, and Yokohama:

RATES OF INTEREST,  
ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS  
A and Fixed Deposits, can be ascertained  
on application.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1893. [199]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF  
INDIA, LIMITED.

LATE  
THE CHARTERED MERCANTILE  
BANK OF INDIA, LONDON  
AND CHINA.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL \$1,500,000  
SUBSCRIBED \$1,125,000

BANKERS:  
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT  
ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent.  
per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:  
For 12 Months.....5 per cent.  
" 6 " " 4 "  
" 3 " " 3 "

JOHN THURBURN,  
Manager, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 4th February, 1893. [192]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,  
LIMITED.

Authorised Capital \$1,000,000  
Subscribed Capital \$500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:  
D. Gillies, Esq. | Chou Tung Shang, Esq.  
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C. J. Hirst, Esq. | Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.  
Chief Manager,  
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Branches—London, Yokohama, Shanghai,  
Amoy and Foochow.

BANKERS:  
The Commercial Bank of Scotland.  
Parrs Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ltd.)

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per cent.  
" 6 " " 4 "  
" 3 " " 3 "

CURRENT ACCOUNTS: 2 "

Hongkong, 12th December, 1892. [182]

## INSURANCES.

THREE IMPORTANT FACTS  
ABOUT THE  
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

1—HALF A MILLION STERLING for  
annum is being paid in Death claims  
year by year.

2—THE FUNDS IN HAND amount to up-  
wards of Seven Million pounds Sterling  
and have increased 50 per cent. in the  
last 15 years.

3—THE LIVES who die are annually replaced  
by more than double the number of new  
carefully selected lives.

DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,  
Agents, Hongkong.

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SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE  
INSURANCE COMPANY OF  
NEW ZEALAND.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept  
FIRE and MARINE INSURANCES on  
favourable terms, and a guaranteed Bonus equal  
to that paid by the local Offices.

S. J. DAVID & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1892. [143]

## GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,  
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000, £83,333.33.  
EQUAL TO \$1,000,000.  
RESERVE FUND \$818,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Lee Kung, Esq. | LO YUEN MOON, Esq.

LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken  
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the  
world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1885. [166]

## NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY  
LIMITED.

CAPITAL \$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept  
MARINE RISKS on all Parts of the world  
Policies granted to all Agents  
payable at any of its Agents.

W. LIN YUEN,  
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE.

No. 2, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1893. [173]

## Intimations.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCES 1865 AND 1890.

AND  
IN THE MATTER OF THE BALMORAL GOLD  
MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-  
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the  
BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at No. 1,  
Duddell Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 1st day of May, 1893,  
at NOON, for the purpose of considering and if  
thought fit passing the following resolution, that  
is to say—“That the Company be Wound-Up  
“voluntarily under the provisions of the Com-  
“panies Ordinances 1865 to 1890.”

Dated 14th day of April, 1893.  
By Order of the Board of Directors.

JNO. S. LAPRAIK,  
Chairman.  
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THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-  
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES, LIMITED, will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, No. 2, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 1st day of May, 1893, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed:

That the first Subsection of Article 103 of the  
Articles of Association of The China Fire  
Insurance Company, Limited, with its  
marginal note, be expunged, and that in  
lieu thereof the following Subsection and  
marginal note be inserted, viz.—

Insert 1st.—It may invest the Funds of the  
Company in upon English, Indian,  
Funds, and Hongkong Government Stocks,  
Bonds, and Funds, and in upon the  
Stocks, Bonds, Funds, and securities of  
any Foreign Government, Country, or  
State, and upon Mortgage of freehold  
or leasehold property in Hongkong or  
elsewhere, and in or upon deposits  
with or loans at interest to any Banking  
Institutions wherever established, and  
in or upon other Securities as it  
may in its discretion think fit, and may  
from time to time convert or realize any  
monies so invested and re-invest the  
same in or upon any of the Securities  
afforded as occasion requires.

The HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers. THE TABLE D'HOTEL, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the service being under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandas, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communicators.

The Reading, Writing and Smoking Room, Ladies' Drawing Room, the new Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.

A handsomely appointed GRILL ROOM, where chops, steaks, &c., are served at any hour, adjoins the HOTEL, and is under the same Management.

THE WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert, and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied.

HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers

and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER  
Manager. [108]

Hongkong, 12th February, 1893.

## NOTICE.

### DIVING.

A N experienced man seeks an engagement  
as a DIVER, either as an "OPERA-  
TIVE" or in charge of a DIVING PARTY.  
Fully acquainted with all latest improvements  
in sub-marine craft, Telephone, Lamp-work  
etc.

Siebe and Gorman's apparatus (Double or  
single Pumps) can be provided.

Breakwater and Pier Work a Specialty.

The Salving of Cargo and Removal  
of Wrecks undertaken in any locality.

References regarding work executed in the  
North Atlantic, Mediterranean and China Seas  
can be seen.

DETONATOR,  
c/o Office of the Hongkong Telegraph.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1893. [192]

D. R. K N O R R ' S  
LION BRAND  
A N T I P Y R I N E.

(DOSE FOR ADULTS 15 to 35 GRAINS TROY.)

IS the most approved and most efficacious  
remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE,  
NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER, TYPHUS, INFILUENZA, DENGUE,  
ERYSIPelas, HOOPING COUGH, and  
many other complaints. It is also the very  
best Antiseptic. Highly recommended by the  
Medical Faculty. Ask for Dr. KNORR'S  
ANTI PYRINE! Each Tin bears the Inventor's  
signature "Dr. KNORR" in red letters.

"DERMATOL" in the best Vulnerary; its  
effect in stimulating the closing up of Wounds,  
is described as amazing.

To be had at every reputed Chemist and  
Druggist.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China  
Export, Import, and Bank Co.—Sole Agents for  
China.

Beware of spurious imitations.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1893. [146]

## NOTICE.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept  
contracts for the Supply of ITALIAN  
MARBLE MONUMENTS. These Monuments  
are beautifully carved, of the best design and  
workmanship, and their prices are very reasonable.

They have also for Sale AMERICAN  
MARBLE MONUMENTS at greatly reduced  
prices for a period of TWO MONTHS ONLY from  
the date hereof. A discount of 5 per cent., as  
per schedule of prices, will be allowed to all  
buyers, and a further discount of 5 per cent.,  
making 10 per cent. in all, will be allowed  
to Military, Naval and Office Officers. An  
Inspection is respectfully invited. They have  
also HONGKONG GRANITE MONUMENTS  
for Sale at reasonable prices.

TAT YUN SHOP,

No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, 18th April, 1893. [147]

## NOTICE.

THE Undersigned beg to notify the Public  
that he has bought from the Official  
Trustee the "GOODWILL" and "STOCK-IN-  
TRADE" of the TEEN YIK OIL SHOP, No.  
44, Bonham Strand West, and that he will  
carry on the same Business in the same place  
and under the same Style.

MOW TACK,

Hongkong, 14th April, 1893. [148]

W. LIN YUEN,  
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE.

No. 2, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1893. [173]

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Hongkong, 21st February, 1893. [173]

## Intimations.

**W. POWELL & CO.**

LADIES', GENTLEMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S

**CALCUTTA  
PITH HATS,**  
COVERED IN ANY MATERIAL TO SUIT PURCHASERS.  
OLD PITH HATS RE-COVERED.

W. POWELL & CO. [16]

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1893.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremlin"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East, affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping Offices.

The HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers.

THE TABLE D'HOTEL, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the service being under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandas, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communicators.

The Reading, Writing and Smoking Room, Ladies' Drawing Room, the new Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.

Intimations.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

AERATED WATERS.

WATER.—The Water used is absolutely pure.

STEAM PLANT.—Of the latest and most powerful type.

SUPERVISION.—The whole process of manufacture is under the continuous supervision of a qualified English Chemist.

THE PRODUCT.—Will bear comparison with the Waters made by the most noted makers in England.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & CO., LTD.

CHEMISTS BY APPOINTMENT.  
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

MANUFACTURERS OF AERATED WATERS.

OUR NEW FACTORY has been recently refitted with automatic Steam Machinery of the latest and most approved kind, and we are well able to compete in quality with the best English makers:

The purest ingredients only are used, and the utmost care and cleanliness are exercised in the manufacture throughout.

"BOMBAY SODAS."

We continue to supply large bottles as heretofore, *Free of Extra Charge*, to those of our Customers who prefer to have them to the ordinary size.

COAST PORT ORDERS.

whenever practicable, are despatched by first steamer leaving after receipt of order.

For COAST PORTS. Waters are packed and placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and the full amount allowed for Packages and Empties when received in good condition.

Counterfoll Order Books supplied free on application.

Our Registered Telegraphic Address is  
"DISPENSARY, HONGKONG." And all signed messages addressed thus will receive prompt attention.

The following is a List of Waters always kept ready in Stock:

PURE AERATED WATER

SODA WATER

LEMONADE

POTASH WATER

SELTZER WATER.

LITHIA WATER

SARSAPARILLA WATER

TONIC WATER

LEMON SQUASH

GINGER ALE

RASPBERRYADE

GINGERADE.

No Credit given for Bottles that look dirty or greasy, or that appear to have been used for any other purpose than that of containing Aerated Waters, as such Bottles are never used again by us.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,  
The Hongkong Dispensary, Hongkong.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 1893.

THE BRITISH v. THE GENUINE (?) ARTICLE.

In the ruling spheres of Britain's business world the question of the employment of aliens of all types, creeds and colors has long been a theme for the expression of regret and bitter exasperation with those, at least, who have the best interests of the nation at heart. Schemes have been formulated and efforts have been made in many quarters to stem the flooding of London and other of Britain's commercial centres by German and kindred foreign clerks, who are but one degree removed from pauperdom. But the result unfortunately has not been satisfactory.

Thousands of competent and highly educated British clerks are to-day starving in England owing to the simple fact that the services of foreigners can be secured at a third of the cost which the very nature of Britain's existence renders necessary to be demanded. The theory that it is always wise to buy in the cheapest market has often been exploded, and we take it that the day is not far distant when the followers of that policy in this particular direction will suffer a rude awakening.

However, the point which concerns us most at present is whether or not the time has arrived when the services of the aliens now filling positions of trust under the Hongkong Government

should be dispensed with? And in framing this query as delicately as we have done, we are but faintly echoing the sentiments of the public—or rather the only section of it worthy of regard and consideration. Many members of the Portuguese community are respectable and honorable citizens, but the point whether they or born Britishers have the first claim to billets at the disposal of the Government of Hongkong is one that bears little argument. And if after the examples of Portuguese honesty and trustworthiness that it has had in the cases of Barradas and Alves, the Government still retains, and advances in its service, men recruited from the same questionable source—then it will be clothed in more odium than at present surrounds it.

Happily under British law all men are equal, but it is contrary to the spirit of even the elastic sentiments of British freedom and fair-play that the interests of foreigners should be furthered at the expense of our own nationals. And in no department where absolute honesty, secrecy and ability are required should there be any other than Englishmen engaged. The public has had a surfeit of the cheap (?) article and now demands a better.

TELEGRAMS.

DOWAGER DUCHESS OF SUTHERLAND.

LONDON, April 21st. The arrest of the Dowager Duchess of Sutherland has been deferred, she being ill and confined to bed.

THE HOME RULE BILL.

Mr. Gladstone, in reply to a question, declined to say whether he considered the retention or exclusion of Irish Members of vital importance to the bill. Mr. Sexton expressed his approval of the principle of the bill, but as the land question, appointment of judges, and the control of the police are reserved, he urged the retention of the full strength of the Irish Members in the House of Commons for six years. He opposed the financial proposals as less favourable than those contained in the bill of 1886 and appealed to Mr. Gladstone to reconsider the position.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

It is stated that every member of Mr. Cleveland's Cabinet is a Presbyterian.

THE steamer *Sishan*, which arrived here this morning, went into Kowloon Dock at 11 a.m. for her annual repairs.

Editor of *Scarf*.—How can I increase my circulation?

Editor of *Pest*.—By giving your paper away!

FINANCIAL statisticians estimate that the amount of money held by the various London banks is not far short of £200,000,000.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s royal mail steamer *Empress of China* left Yokohama for Vancouver yesterday morning.

PRESIDENT Cleveland is of opinion that the sentiment in his party in favor of free silver will weaken between this time and next December.

The Hongkong Corinthian Sailing Club will hold a general meeting in the gymnasium of the Victoria Recreation Club on Thursday next (27th).

The members of the City Club will give one of their popular and entertaining smoking concerts in the Club rooms, Icehouse Lane, to-night, commencing at 9 p.m.

A REGULAR meeting of Victoria Lodge, No. 1026, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, this evening, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

THE total population of Europe is estimated at 360,000,000; of these, taking the proportions of the sexes in the principal countries as a guide, about 167,400,000 are males, and 192,600,000 are females.

Squibb.—There were 27 mis-spellings in your leader last night.

"Brownie."—Very sorry. The proof-reader was sick and some one had borrowed my dictionary.

THE number of languages spoken by mankind at the present is estimated at 3000. The Bible has been translated into 200 only, but these 200 are spoken by about two-thirds of the whole population of the globe.

We are informed by the agents (Messrs. Shaw & Co.) that the "Union" Line steamer *Holywood*, from Antwerp, Hamburg and the Straits, left Singapore for this port yesterday afternoon, and is due on or about the 28th inst.

THAT section of the Praya Reclamation opposite the Cricket Ground and the eastern end of the Praya Central is now all but completed. There has been a vast amount of interesting work done on this portion, a full description of which will appear in these columns shortly.

AMELLIA was all sweet, nice and nervous and she said to her sweetheart:

"You have been so old a friend I want to tell you something. I am—" and she blushed. "I am going to be married."

"Well," he cried, hoarsely, "before you go further, hear me. I must say it, though I have no right now, but I will have less right later. I love you, I adore you; I have loved you since we were children together. I do not see how I can live and see you the wife of another."

But at least you will know that I have loved you all these years, and when you hear the wind sigh over my distant grave—of course, that is nonsense."

"Don't take on, so, John Henry," she said, softly. "I'm going to marry you!"

Then the strong man fainted, and as he beat over him a determined little line showed about her mouth, and she muttered, "I had to do something to bring him to it!"

A SCIENTIFIC authority has lately given out that a woman's beauty arrives at its maximum only after she has passed her thirtieth year.

THE men-of-war in harbour to-day were gallantly decorated in honour of King Edward's birthday, which was celebrated with the usual blasting on board the *Curtaions* and other vessels.

THE Agents (Messrs. Dowdell, Carrill & Co.) inform us that the Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Maple* left Tacoma, Wash., for this port, via Japan, on the morning of the 20th inst.

ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH.—The Mission steam-launch *Day Spring* will alongside vessels holding code pennant C, between 9 and 10.30 a.m. on Sunday, to convey men ashore to the 11 o'clock service, returning about 12.30 p.m.

THE North Pacific Railroad Company has created a new office, that of "travelling blacksmith." The duty of the "travelling blacksmith" is to go from shop to shop over the whole system and see that the work is kept up to a certain standard.

It is stated the greatest number of people ever killed by an earthquake since the dawn of history was 100,000. The date of the terrible disaster was 1703, and the scene of the most violent disturbance was at Yedo, the capital of Japan, and its vicinity.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s royal mail steamer *Empress of India*, Captain O. P. Marshall, R.N.R., from Vancouver, arrived at Shanghai at 3.30 a.m. to-day, and left again at 4 p.m. for this port, where she may be expected to arrive about 7 a.m. on Tuesday next.

AN upright Judge need not be ashamed of his sentences even in the presence of the strictest grammarian. Very true! but we have had at least one Judge in Hongkong whose upright sentences, while personal prejudices were involved, were on a par with their grammatical inaccuracies. Those who run may read.

THE Magisterial Inquiry into the fire at No. 87 Fervous Street on the 13th last, was opened by Mr. H. E. Wodehouse on the 18th, continued to-day, and adjourned until the 24th inst. The proceedings were taken at the *Empress of India*, Reuter, Brocklemann & Co., agents for the Fire Insurance Co., of Hamburg, issuers of a policy for £4,000 on the premises. Hitherto nothing suspicious has been revealed in the evidence.

FRANCIS War Office experts are divided in opinion concerning the value or danger of the Eiffel Tower in case of a siege of Paris. German staff officers have written quite freely about the matter, principally holding that the tower would afford a fine target. Some French officers agree with this view; others say the forts around the city would keep the tower out of range, while it would afford an excellent post for observation. From it the operations of an enemy could be observed for a radius of forty-four miles.

TO a correspondent who wanted to know how many of Napoleon's First Field Marshals died in their beds, the editor of the New York *Collector* replied:—

Exactly how many of the Marshals of the Empire died in their beds, I cannot say; but I can inform you that out of the twenty-three ten died violent deaths:

Lannes, Duke of Montebello, was killed at the battle of Essling, May 22, 1809.

Bessieres, Duke d'Isle, was killed before Luttre, May 1, 1813.

Ducos, Duke de Frou, was killed at Reichensbach, May 22, 1813.

Poniatowski was drowned crossing the Elster, October 15, 1813.

Juno, Duke d'Albignac, leaped from a window while insane on July 25, 1813.

Berthier, Prince of Neuchatel and of Wagram, was assassinated at Bamberg, by masked men, on June 1, 1815.

Murat, Prince and Duke de Berg, and ex-King of Naples, was shot at Pizzo by order of Louis XVIII.

Bruno was massacred by a mob at Lyons in 1813.

Mortier, Duke de Trevis, was killed by the Imperial machine of Fieschi, by the side of Louis-Philippe, on July 28, 1835.

THE "JOB LOTS" EXHIBITION.

The Ancient and Honourable Order of Job Lots of Hongkong is going ahead in most surprising and praiseworthy style. It proposes to hold a *conversations* on Thursday next, which will probably—or at least so we may hope—form the first of an annual series. The happy idea has also occurred to the moving spirits that as the Hongkong exhibits for the Imperial Institute are now being got together, it would most certainly be worth while, if only somebody would take the trouble of arranging, to let us see ourselves as others see us, or at least see our representative collection of exhibits as the Imperial Institute will show them to the world.

The original idea is distinctly good, but needed slight improvements, and has been improved, for as Hongkong's contribution to the Institute would be itself be nothing very sensational, other attractions from private sources have been added, and the whole promises to be an exceedingly fine array. Besides this, a programme of musical and other items will be conducted to the enjoyment of this gathering, though we have as yet heard nothing as to refreshments, which are absolutely essential, and which were so badly missed at the inaugural meeting of the "Odd Volumes," as to very seriously injure (for a time only, we hope) the prospects of the new association. In the present case, if the lesson has been learnt, there is no reason at all why the "Odd Volumes" *conversations* should not be a success of such magnitude as to warrant its perpetuation among the greatest of annual reunions.

It is this not too united Colony. Indeed, why should not this Colony keep abreast of civilised communities and have a yearly exposition of its industrial products? Perhaps we have not enough to make a great show standing alone, but as an accessory to a flourishing annual function it certainly could and should be done.

THE IRISH GLOBE-TROTTER.

Having left Ould Ireland and travelled so far east that every step I now take brings me nearer home again, it is only decent of me to write down my experiences for publication, that being the custom with all globe-trotters. Having spent more than twenty-four hours in Hongkong it is a power of learning I have to give on the social customs of them *hawthens* the Chinese, which will date back from the year one to the present time.

It is said that the last fatal duel fought between British officers was in July, 1853, between Captain Nolan, riding-master of the 15th King's Hussars, and Captain Johnson, H.E.I.C.S., near Bangalore, Madras. The duel was fought with swords, and Captain Nolan killed his adversary. This Captain Nolan was the same officer who carried the order to Lord Cardigan to take the guns from the Russians on Balaklava day. Nolan was shot dead in the charge of the Light Brigade. It was of him that that immortal Adam Lindsey Gordon wrote:—

So he rode to death with that careless smile

In the van of the Light Brigade.

So, stolken by Russian grape, the cheer

Rang out while he toppled back.

From his shattered lungs as many and clear

As it did when he rose the pack.

Let never a tear his memory stain, give his ashes

Across a sight.

One of many who perished, and not in vain,

As a type of our valour.

So he rode to death with that careless smile

Over his dying grave—of course, that is nonsense.

"Don't take on, so, John Henry," she said, softly.

"I'm going to marry you!"

Then the strong man fainted, and as he beat

over him a determined little line showed about

her mouth, and she muttered, "I had to do

something to bring him to it!"

It is not for me to write of my voyage by sea

as a type of our valour.

Two educated negro women have started a newspaper in the Congo Free State.

In the towns of Southern Chile cholera is ranging and children are dying by the hundreds.

A wealthy American, anxious to occupy a grand mansion in London, has leased Arlington House at a rental of \$10,000.

According to the latest arrangements, Dr. Nansen will leave Christiania on his Arctic expedition at the beginning of June.

The oil industry has changed Baku from a village to a large, flourishing town. The Baku oil refinery is the largest in existence.

Adelina Patti gets \$4,000 for every London concert, while she sings in the provinces for \$1,000 and in Milan for \$2,000 a night.

Four grandsons of Garibaldi, the Italian patriot, have been placed by their father in the Methodist Episcopal Institute in Rome to be educated.

The Pope is soon to issue a letter to the French Episcopacy urging the formation of a party of Republican Catholics in the Chamber of Deputies.

Marie Van Zandt broke her right ankle some three weeks ago through slipping while crossing the gangway from the dock to a Dover steamer at Calais.

The Australian colony of Victoria produced 663,000 ounces of gold last year, an increase of 41,000 ounces over 1892, and the largest yield since 1886.

It is the law in Denmark that every drunken man shall be taken to his home in a carriage provided at the expense of the saloon-keeper who sold him the last drink.

Several London East End publicans who had diluted their beer with water have been fined at the Worship-street Police Court, in amounts ranging from £10 to £20.

The Turkish Government has proposed to the Sultan that he invite the States of the Ottoman Empire to a "commercial and industrial competition" in Constantinople.

The vessel engaged in the passenger traffic on the Alter Lake in Upper Austria will, during the coming summer, be propelled by electricity, accumulators being employed.

From a return which has been laid before the House of Commons, it appears that out of 305,000 electors who voted in Ireland at the general election, 84,000 were illiterates.

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The scheme for the construction of a canal from the Elbe to the Danube, for the purpose of connecting the Baltic and the Black Sea, has assumed definite shape. The Austrian Government is to provide a great part of the capital, and the remainder has been subscribed by a London syndicate.

Queen Isabella of Spain has written to the Pope, petitioning him to canonize Christopher Columbus as a saint of the holy Catholic Church, her reason being that he was the first man to raise the cross of Christ in America. St. Columbus would indeed be a new *relique* for the famous old navigator.

A novel measure of protection against thieves and other crooked customers has been instituted by the Bank of France. An instantaneous photographic operator is placed in such a position that he can, on receiving a signal from the cashier take a photograph of the person then at the window. A valuable record may be thus preserved of the person to whom a cheque is paid or, whose identity it may be necessary to establish.

#### A SUBJECT FOR THOUGHT.

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HONGKONG CORINTHIAN SAILING CLUB.

THERE will be a GENERAL MEETING of the above Club, at 8 P.M. on THURSDAY, the 27th instant, in the GYMNASIUM of the Victoria Recreation Club.

NOTICE of Motto to be sent to Hon. Secy. Hongkong Corinthian Sailing Club.

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MAILS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.  
The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Anconia*, with the outward English mail, left Singapore on the 18th instant, and may be expected here on the 24th.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & S. S. Co.'s steamer *Gaile*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu and Yokohama on the 4th instant.

The P. M. & S. Co.'s steamer *City of Peiping*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama on the 18th instant.

NORTHERN PACIFIC MAIL.

The Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Tacoma* left Victoria on the 20th ultimo for Japan and Hongkong.

The Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Merle* left Tacoma, Washington for this port on the 20th instant, via Japan Ports.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamer *Empress of India*, from Vancouver, left Shanghai on the 22nd instant, and may be expected here on the 29th.

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Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

PARANITA, American ship, 1,498. Soudi, 21st April—San Francisco 17th Feb., Flou—Chinese.

PHRA NANO, British steamer, 1,021. W. H. Watson, 21st April—Bangkok, and Koh-si-chang 15th April, Rice and General—Yen Fat Hong.

PRIVYANG, German steamer, 953. P. Kohler, 22nd April—Canton 22nd April, General—Slemsen & Co.

INDEPENDENT, German steamer, 1,003. Schäfer, 22nd April—Salon 17th April, Rice—Widler & Co.

IRON DUKE, German bark, 4,131. H. Hashagen, 18th April—New York 29th Oct., Petroleum—Reuter, Brockelman & Co.

TERMOPTILE, British bark, 948. J. R. Winchester, 17th April—Victoria, B.C., 17th Ballast—Captain.

VELOCITY, British bark, 491. K. Martin, 25th Feb.—Honolulu 18th Jan., General—Chinese.

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36—Do. Refinery Office.

37—Do. Refinery, Quarry Bay.

42—Canadian Pacific Railway Co., Ltd.

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29—Hongkong Hotel Public Telephone.

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61—H. and K. Whan, Godwin Co., Ltd.

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50—Joseph, H. H., Magazine Gap.

23—Jordan, Dr. G. P., Praya Central.

45—Do. Residence.

52—Judd, W., Magazine Gap.

62—Kennedy, J., Home/Repository.

64—Do. Causeway Bay.

54—MacLellan, Friel & Co.

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7—Nan Wo & Co.

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61—Orbison, A. M., Mountain View.

59—Peak Hospital.

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57—P. & O. S. N. Co.

51—Ray, E. C., Office.

54—Do. Residence.

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